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SEN. CRISCO, 17th Dist.

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"AN ACT CONCERNING STANDARDS IN CONTRACTS BETWEEN HEALTH INSURERS AND PHYSICIANS."

Strike lines 7 to 16, inclusive, in their entirety and substitute the following in lieu thereof:

"(b) Each contract for services to be provided to residents of this state entered into, renewed, amended or modified on or after October 1, 2005, between a contracting health organization and a physician shall include provisions that: (1) Provide an explanation of the physician payment methodology, the time periods for physician payments, the information to be relied on to calculate payments and adjustments and the process to be relied on to resolve disputes concerning physician payments; and (2) require that the contracting health organization provide to each participating physician a complete copy of all current procedural terminology codes and all current reimbursements for such codes that determine the physician's reimbursement for the entire contract period.

(c) No contract for services to be provided to residents of this state

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16 entered into, renewed, amended or modified on or after October 1, 17 2005, between a contracting health organization and a physician shall 18 include any provision that allows the contracting health organization or physician to unilaterally change any term or provision of the 19 20 agreed-upon contract, including, but not limited to, any term or 21 provision concerning: (1) Fee schedules or provider panels; (2) the 22 physician's ability to discuss or negotiate the terms of the contract; or 23 (3) the physician's ability to terminate the contract."

24 Strike section 2 in its entirety